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IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-20. (Cancelled)

21. (New) A fabric structure for making bags comprising:

a. a fabric base sheet having a front surface adapted to be disposed on the outside of a bag and a back surface;

b. a polymeric backing layer containing styrenic block copolymers, said polymeric backing layer having a front bonding surface bonded to the back surface of the fabric base sheet and a back surface; and

c. a protective layer made by coating a surface treating agent onto the polymeric backing layer, said protective layer having an inner surface bonded to the back surface of the polymeric backing layer and an outer surface adapted to be disposed on the inside of a bag;

d. wherein the surface treating agent contains a modified styrenic block copolymer material, silicone, isophthalic acid, tetraisopropyl titanate, and toluene.

22. (New) The fabric structure according to claim 21 further comprising a viscous layer sandwiched between the fabric base sheet and the polymeric backing layer.

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23. (New) The fabric structure according to claim 22 wherein the viscous layer is made of viscous material containing styrenic block copolymer, viscosity improver, additive, and processing oil or butanone.

24. (New) The fabric structure according to claim 21 wherein the styrenic block copolymer of the polymeric backing layer is selected from the group consisting of styrene-butadiene-styrene block copolymers, styrene-ethylene-butylene-styrene block copolymers, styrene-isoprene-styrene block copolymers, styrene-ethylene-propylene-styrene block copolymers, and mixtures thereof.

25. (New) The fabric structure as claimed in claim 21 wherein the surface treatment agent contains urethane polymer material.

26. (New) The fabric structure according to claim 25 wherein a pigment is added to the urethane polymer material.

27. (New) The fabric structure according to claim 21 wherein a pigment is added to the styrenic block copolymer surface treating agent.

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28. (New) A fabric structure for making bags comprising:

a. a fabric base sheet having a front surface adapted to be disposed on the outside of a bag and a back surface;

b. a polymeric backing layer containing styrenic block copolymers, said polymeric backing layer having a front bonding surface bonded to the back surface of the fabric base sheet and a back surface; and

c. a protective layer made by coating a surface treating agent onto the polymeric backing layer, said protective layer having an inner surface bonded to the back surface of the polymeric backing layer and an outer surface adapted to be disposed on the inside of a bag;

wherein the surface treating agent contains styrenic block copolymer material, wax, and toluene.

29. (New) The fabric structure according to claim 28 further comprising a viscous layer sandwiched between the fabric base sheet and the polymeric backing layer.

30. (New) The fabric structure according to

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claim 28 wherein the viscous layer is made of viscous material containing styrenic block copolymer, viscosity improver, additive, and processing oil or butanone.

31. (New) The fabric structure according to claim 28 wherein the styrenic block copolymer of the polymeric backing layer is selected from the group consisting of styrene-butadiene-styrene block copolymers, styrene-ethylene-butylene-styrene block copolymers, styrene-isoprene-styrene block copolymers, styrene-ethylene-propylene-styrene block copolymers, and mixtures thereof.

32. (New) The fabric structure as claimed in claim 28 wherein the surface treatment agent contains urethane polymer material.

33. (New) The fabric structure according to claim 32 wherein a pigment is added to the urethane polymer material .

34. (New) The fabric structure according to claim 28 wherein a pigment is added to the styrenic block copolymer surface treating agent.